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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Katefidis

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FOR DRYING OBJECTS

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**RESPONSE TO
OFFICE ACTION MAILED
NOVEMBER 13, 2008 AND
REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED
EXAMINATION**

ATTENTION OF: Art Unit 3743

EXAMINER: Lu, Jiping

Dear Examiner Lu:

This Reply and Request for Continued Examination is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on November 13, 2008. Please consider the following amendments and remarks toward reconsideration and passage to allowance:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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